

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 7-9, and 27-34 are pending in the application. Claims 3-6 and 10-26 are cancelled without prejudice in view of the Restriction/Election Requirement. Claims 27-34 are added to further describe the elected Group I. Favorable examination in light of the remarks which follow is respectfully requested.

The Examiner is imposing a Restriction/Election Requirement on the claims, categorizing the claims as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to a glycine derivative of formula 1;

Group II: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to benzoylamino dicarboxylic acid derivative of formula 2;

Group III: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to an acylaminodicarboxylic acid derivative of formula 3. If this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed species of formula 3 is also required;

Group IV: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to a hexamethyleneiminecarboxylic acid, piperidinecarboxylic acid or pyrrolidinecarboxylic acid derivatives of formula 4. If this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed species of formula 4 is also required;

Group V: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to beta-alanine derivative of formula 5. If this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed species of formula 5 is also required;

Group VI: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to a glycine derivative of formula 6, 7 or 8. If this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed species of formula 6, 7 or 8 is also required;

Group VII: Claims 1-18, drawn to parakerotosis inhibitor being drawn to an aminosulfuric acid derivative of formula 9 or 10. If this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed species of formula 9 or 10 is also required; and

Group VIII: Claims 19-26, drawn to skin preparation of formula 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10. If this group is elected, a further election of a single disclosed skin preparation including a species of formula 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 and all other elements named is also required.

Applicant elects with partial traverse Group I (glycine derivatives of formula 1) for examination. Claims 1, 2, 7-9 read on elected Group I. It is further noted that new claims 27-34 also read on elected Group I.

Petition for Extension of Time

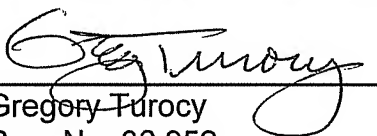
A request for a three month extension of time is hereby made. Payment is being made through the EFS electronic filing system.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Respectfully submitted,

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